



## **BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002**

### **Lamar , Alabama [01075]**

Lamar is one of 67 counties in Alabama. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2002 population of 15,319 ranked 56th in the state.

#### **PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2002 Lamar had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$19,959. This PCPI ranked 48th in the state and was 78 percent of the state average, \$25,461, and 65 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 0.3 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 2.9 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Lamar was \$14,547 and ranked 41st in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.9 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

#### **TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

In 2002 Lamar had a total personal income (TPI) of \$305,748\*. This TPI ranked 56th in the state and accounted for 0.3 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Lamar was \$227,656\* and ranked 55th in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected a decrease of 1.3 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 3.1 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 3.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 5.2 percent.

#### **COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME**

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Lamar. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 57.4 percent of TPI (compared with 63.9 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.2 percent (compared with 14.9 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 27.4 percent (compared with 21.2 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings decreased 2.3 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 7.6 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.1 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 1.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 3.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.7 percent.

#### **EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK**

Earnings of persons employed in Lamar decreased from \$180,195\* in 2001 to \$175,452\* in 2002, a decrease of 2.6 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 3.6 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$145,528\* to the 2002 estimate was 1.9 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.5 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

*\*Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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